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Attention: Mr. James E. Andrews
Assistant Director, Office of Collection
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TAB B

Sir:

A thorough review of the products of the Cyrillic Union Catalog Project -- the expanded Monthly List of Russian Accessions and the Cyrillic Subject Union Catalog -- at the end of the first calendar year of full production justifies entirely, I believe, the original decision of your Agency to undertake the project.

Monthly List of Russian Accessions

Allocated Fiscal 1953	Requested for Fiscal 1954
$109,759.00	$130,300.00

With the aid of your Agency, the Monthly List of Russian Accessions is now the most nearly complete current bibliography of Russian publications that is available outside the Soviet Union, largely taking the place of the unobtainable Soviet national bibliography, Knizhnaia Letopis. Although the original estimates were somewhat low and required revision after the first few months of operation on the expanded basis, I believe the resulting product adequately meets the specifications originally presented by your agency together with the changes requested from time to time to increase the usefulness of the publication.

The present staff of the Monthly List is adequate for maintaining it in its present form and coverage. However, lack of personnel trained in the proofreading of typed cards is delaying

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